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SUBJ: LOS: SEABED COMMITTEE - SUMMARY OF FIRST WEEK - MARCH 5-9.

1. MARCH SESSION OF UN SEABEDS COMMITTEE, WHICH IS ACTING AS PREPARATORY COMMITTEE FOR FORTHCOMING LOS CONFERENCE, IS OFF TO A FAST START. SUBCOMMITTEES I AND III HAVE SET WORK SCHEDULE AND SUBCOMMITTEE I WORKING GROUP HAS BEGUN WORK. MAIN COMMITTEE HAS RESOLVED ISSUE OF HOW TO ALLOCATE ITEMS ON LIST AMONG COMMITTEES, AND SUBCOMMITTEE II HAS ESTABLISHED A WORKING GROUP.

2. THE MAIN COMMITTEE AGREED ON THE BASIC ALLOCATION OF WORK OF THE ITEMS ON THE COMPREHENSIVE LIST OF SUBJECTS AND ISSUES. COMMITTEE II WOULD DEAL WITH ITEMS NOT ALLOCATED TO SUBCOMMITTEE I, III OR MAIN
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COMMITTEE AND ALL SUBCOMMITTEES MAY CONSIDER ITEMS ALLOCATED TO OTHERS INSOFAR AS RELEVANT TO THEIR MANDATE.

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MAIN COMMITTEE WILL EXERCISE OVERALL POLITICAL GUIDANCE AND WILL TAKE FINAL DECISION ON COORDINATING WORK OF SUB-COMMITTEES.

3. ALL THREE SUBCOMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUP OF SUB-COMMITTEE I HELD MEETINGS. ATTENDANCE WAS LARGER THAN THAT AT PREVIOUS SESSIONS.

4. SUBCOMMITTEE I CHAIRMAN SAID SUBCOMMITTEE WOULD HAVE TO COMPLETE ITS WORK NO LATER THAN TWO WEEKS PRIOR TO END OF AUGUST SEABED COMMITTEE SESSION. WORKING GROUPS ON REGIME AND MACHINERY WOULD HAVE TO END ONE WEEK TO TEN DAYS BEFORE THAT. SUBCOMMITTEE WORKING GROUP CONTINUED SECOND READING OF DRAFT TREATY ARTICLES ON PRINCIPLES FOR DEEP SEABED REGIME. A DRAFT TEXT ON DEEP SEABEDS PRINCIPLE ARTICLES HAS BEEN PREPARED AND WILL BE CIRCULATED SHORTLY.

5. SUBCOMMITTEE II AGREED AFTER MUCH DISCUSSION TO FORM A SINGLE WORKING GROUP TO BEGIN WORK IMMEDIATELY. MEMBER-SHIP WILL BE OPEN- ENDED WITH POSSIBILITY OF SECOND WORKING GROUP BEING FORMED AT A LATER DATE. IMMEDIATE MAJOR PRO-CEDURAL ISSUES WILL BE ORGANIZATION OF WORK AND CHAIRMAN-SHIP OF THIS WG, AS WELL AS ITS PROCEDURES. ON SUBSTANCE, AUSTRALIA PROPOSED 200 MILES FOR COASTAL STATE FISHERIES JURISDICTION AS OUTLINED IN PROPOSAL GOA SUBMITTED LAST SUMMER AND KUWAIT SUPPORTED FREE AND UNIMPEDED TRANSIT FOR VESSELS IN STRAITS.

6. SUBCOMMITTEE II DECIDED TO DISCUSS SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH NEXT. THEREAFTER DEBATE WILL BE ON DEVELOPMENT AND TRANS-FER OF TECHNOLOGY. ITS WG ON MARINE POLLUTION WILL MEET SOON AND A WG ON SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH WILL BE ESTABLISHED AFTER DEBATE REACHES APPROPRIATE POINT. SIMILARLY, AT AN APPROPRIATE POINT, A WG WILL BE SET UP ON DEVELOPMENT AND TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY. AUSTRALIA SUBMITTED WORKING PAPER ON MARINE POLLUTION WHICH FOCUSSED ON NATURE AND EXTENT OF LEGAL RIGHTS, ESPECIALLY OF COASTAL STATES RE PRESERVATION OF MARINE ENVIRONMENT.
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